

LIVE NEWS OF THE INDUSTRIAL WORLD

CONDITION OF THE ANTHRACITE COAL TRADE.

Mt. Lookout Breaker of the Temple Iron Company, at Wyoming, Has Been Rebuilt—Makeup of the D. L. & W. Board for Today—J. W. Fitzgibbon Denies the Report That He Intends to Resign—A Big Blast Furnace Has Been Erected in Ohio.

It is now too near spring to expect any great increase in the consumption of hard coal. Cold waves all bring out a certain amount of buying for immediate needs, storms may interfere with the movement of coal for a few days, but generally speaking the prospect of a mild winter made in this column six weeks ago has been simply fulfilled. For the next few months the anthracite trade is going to be quiet. The January production of 3,500,000 tons, though a little larger than some people expected, shows a big drop from December. Stocks, however, are likely to accumulate, with there will probably be no such occasion to mine coal as last spring, when the upper lake docks were bare. Reports from Duluth and Chicago show that there is coal enough on hand now to supply all probable needs before navigation opens.

The coming retirement on March 1 of E. R. Holden from the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western management will be the final step in the reorganization that started when Mr. Truesdale took control. Mr. Holden's peculiar idea about reorganizing with his intimate knowledge of the trade has caused him to be much criticised, but the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western coal department has in some respects been well managed.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

The D. L. & W. Board. Following is the D. L. & W. board for today.

- Monday, Feb. 19, 1900.
STAMMITS
8:30 a. m., north—G. Frountelker,
2 p. m., south—H. Bush,
6 p. m., south—M. Madigan.
PULLERS
10 a. m.—Peckins.
PUSHERS
8 a. m., south—H. M. Moran,
11:30 a. m., south—M. Murphy,
7 p. m., south—C. Cawley.
PASSENGER ENGINES
6:30 p. m.—C. Madigan.
WILD CATS NORTH
11 a. m., 2 engines—J. E. Masters,
2 p. m., 2 engines—J. Hennigan, with S. Carmody's men.
4 p. m., 2 engines—R. Castner.
WILD CATS SOUTH
3 a. m.—J. O'Hara,
5 a. m.—T. Dougan,
6 a. m.—G. Hill,
8 a. m.—J. Swartz,
1 a. m.—J. Bush,
11:30 a. m.—E. Duffy, with J. Brock's men,
1:30 p. m.—A. Gortley,
2:30 p. m.—J. Gortley,
4:30 p. m.—E. Wallace,
4:45 p. m.—P. Singer.

New Mt. Lookout Breaker.

In a few days the new Mt. Lookout breaker at Wyoming of the Temple Iron company, erected on the site of the one which was destroyed by fire last August, will be in running order, though it will not be operated until March by a full force of men. Smith & Lamoreaux, of West Scranton, erected the building and Horatio Moore, of this city, architect for the company, drew up the plans. Two breakers have been burned down on the present site and extra precautions have been taken to insure the safety of this one against a similar fate. The new breaker contains many new features, one of which is the washing of the coal.

Instead of having one large engine to furnish power there are a number of small ones. If one engine is crippled by an ingenious arrangement of belt and shafting the work of the damaged machine is done by the others.

Mr. Fitzgibbon Makes Denial.

Thursday last the "stove committee" sent forth the announcement that J. W. Fitzgibbon, superintendent of motive power and machinery of the Lackawanna company, had resigned. The Tribune investigated it and found it to be wholly without a basis, that it was not deemed worthy of mention even by way of a denial.

Another paper printed the rumor as a fact on Friday, giving as proof of its authority "several parties about the depot who said they had heard it."

When Mr. Fitzgibbon returned to the city on Saturday morning from a two days' trip over the New York lines he gave the story its unqualified denial. "I have not thought of making a change and know of no reason why I should," are Mr. Fitzgibbon's words.

Advantage With Sellers.

Says an exchange: "While there has been a partial break in the waiting attitude of the market, there is still much hesitation about contracts, and much new business is in the balance. In raw iron and steel there have been some transactions in Bessemer pig at

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close to current rates. It foundry iron a good deal of flickering is going on, but very little disposition to make concessions is shown by the management. In few lots also there is no apparent yielding, though several large contracts are held back in hopes of yielding. Upon the whole the advantage is with sellers.

This and That.

E. W. Morrison, superintendent of the Pullman Car company for the eastern division, which embraces the Lackawanna, the Pennsylvania and the Erie roads, is in the city.

The first of the big blast furnaces at the Ohio plant of the National Steel company was started February 14. The stack is 106 feet high and twenty-three feet in diameter. It is expected to make 900 tons of pig iron a day. There are two other stacks of the same size nearly completed.

OF MINES AND MINING.

Effort Being Made to Have the Government Create Such a Department—Mr. Connell's Views.

The following special dispatch from Washington appeared in Saturday's Pittsburgh Press:

Efforts are being made to get through congress a bill creating a new government department to be known as the "Department of Mines and Mining." This bill was introduced by Representative Barnum, of California, and is being strongly urged by members of which realize the extent of the mining industry in the United States. It provides that the duties of the new department shall be to acquire, by examination, practical and scientific experiments, geological research or otherwise, useful information on the subject of mining in the comprehensive sense of the word, including mines and mining for gold, silver, platinum, lead, copper, iron, marble, zinc, quick-silver, mercury, aluminum, manganese, nickel, coal, petroleum, natural gas, stone, clays, cement, emery, infusorial carth, phosphate rock, gypsum, borax, bromine, sulphur, chrome iron ore, metallic paints, asphaltum, flint, and all other minerals and mineral waters, as well as waters used in mining, manufacturing, or developing electric power, and to diffuse such information among the people of the United States. The bill also provides that the chief officer of the department shall be a cabinet officer.

The committee on mines and mining, of which Representative Crump, of Michigan, is chairman, has reported this bill to the house with a strong recommendation that it be passed. Pennsylvania has three members on this committee: Connell, of Scranton; Ryan, of Pottsville, and Hall, of Ridgway, who with members of the Pennsylvania delegation generally are strongly in favor of the bill. Mr. Connell, who is largely interested in anthracite mines and who knows as much about the mineral resources of the country as any other member of congress, said today:

"There is not a country in the world that is as rich in its mineral resources as ours and yet we practically have less information upon mining accessible to the people than any other leading nation. The want of practical and scientific information on matters connected with this subject is apparent. It is difficult, if not impossible, to get real data and necessary practical facts. In nearly all of the leading countries there is either a consul general, commissioner or secretary of mines and mining, with statistics sent at to these proposed by the Barham bill.

"In England the industry of mines and mining is looked after in a distinct branch of the department of science and art. France has a committee of mines. Germany has a minister of public works who has charge of the mines. New South Wales, New Zealand, Queensland, Victoria and Persia each has a minister or secretary of mines. The development of our own resources would do away with the necessity for importation of mineral products, open new mines, enlarge others and increase the demand for labor."

BIG DEAL FELL THROUGH.

Sale of the Scranton Dairy Company Not Effected. Negotiations for the sale of the Scranton Dairy company to a company headed by C. E. Rogers, which have been on for some time, have fallen through. The time limit of the intending purchasers' offer expired Saturday night without the offer being accepted. The Dairy company had a meeting Saturday afternoon with Mr. Rogers and a final effort was made to come to terms. It was unsuccessful, however, and yesterday Mr. Rogers stated the deal was off. The offer was in the neighborhood of \$90,000.

TEN DIVORCES ARE GRANTED IN A BUNCH

COURT DOES WHOLESALE UNLOADING ON SATURDAY.

Names of the Parties and the Grounds on Which the Petitions Were Founded—Vacancies on Election Boards Filled and Overseers Appointed in Many Districts. O'Malley Named to Succeed Cannon as Judge of Election in the First Ward of Oliphant.

Decrees were made Saturday in ten of the twenty-seven divorce cases submitted at argument court during the first three days of last week. The parties and the grounds for divorce are as follows:

Michael Walter against Christiana Walter; charge: unfaithfulness. John L. Cole against Louisa A. Cole; charge: desertion. Ellen Evans against Ebenezer Evans; charge: cruelty. James A. Nicol against Evangeline Nicol; desertion. Ida M. Haldeman against Jerome L. Haldeman; desertion. Leopold Schlanger against Freda Schlanger; desertion. Sarah T. Hall against George W. Hall; unfaithfulness. Anna Ruane against Michael Ruane; cruelty. William H. Chubb against Maggie M. Chubb; desertion. Fannie J. W. Downing against William F. Downing; desertion.

Election of Officers and Overseers.

Court Saturday morning filled vacancies on election boards and appointed overseers wherever the same were properly petitioned for. The vacancy in the office of judge of election of the First ward of Oliphant was filled by the appointment of Patrick O'Malley. The former judge, who was ousted, Patrick Cannon, has taken the matter to the supreme court and hopes thereby to be reinstated today. The other appointments were as follows:

Michael Deo, judge of election, Third ward of Winton. Frederick Pryor, majority inspector, Third ward, Dunmore. E. N. Jones, inspector of election, Third ward, Blakely. S. F. Samsenbaugh, judge, and James Moffat, majority inspector, Second district, Third ward, Dunmore. Byron Buckingham, inspector of election, Elmhurst borough. Bernard Dolan, judge of election, Third district, Seventh ward, Scranton. James W. Caygill, minority inspector, Second ward, Dickson City borough. John Colver, judge of election, First district, Old Forge borough. Nicholas Bennett, majority inspector, Second ward, Jermy. Benjamin Gilbert, majority inspector, Third district, Fourth ward, Scranton. Patrick McCann, inspector, First district, Twelfth ward, Scranton. Louis Dunning, inspector, Eighteenth ward, Scranton. Peter Devaney, majority inspector, First district, Twelfth ward, Scranton. E. T. Davis, judge of election, Second district, Eighth ward, Scranton. John J. Davies, judge of election, First district, Fifteenth ward, Scranton.

Court made an order changing the polling place in the First district of the Third ward of Dunmore from the place where it now is to a room in the westerly corner of the building of Elizabeth Knapp on the easterly side of Blakely street.

Is Perpetually Enjoined.

The following formal decree was made by court Saturday in the line-fence equity suit of Ellen C. Kelly against James P. Donnelly: "It is ordered and decreed that the defendant be hereafter perpetually enjoined from taking possession of any part of that portion of the plaintiff's lot of land, being lot No. 17 in block 209, fronting on Madison avenue, and from erecting any posts on the said land or from building any fence thereon or from interfering in any way with the possession of the plaintiff, Ellen C. Kelly."

Court House News Notes.

In the estate of Henry Hasterick the report of the auditor was finally confirmed.

In the case of William Kelly against John J. Skelly the rule to interplead was made absolute.

The rule to stay the sheriff's sale was discharged Saturday in the case of Bernstein against Berry.

By an amendment, allowed by court, Saturday, Old Forge borough was made a co-defendant in the case of Bittenbender against Old Forge township.

A rule was granted Saturday on Constantine H. Williamson, to compel him to show cause why he should not bring an ejectment suit against M. H. Carpenter.

A decree was made Saturday in the case of George H. Rice against George M. Okell, directing an issue to be awarded wherein Mary Shamrock shall be plaintiff and George H. Rice, the execution creditor, defendant.

LICENSE TAX ORDINANCE.

Report on It Will Be Heard at Board of Trade Meeting. At this evening's regular meeting of the board of trade the committee on legislation and taxes will present a report on the license tax ordinance, now pending in councils.

The newly-elected president, James

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A. Lansing will appoint the standing committees for the year and Colonel F. L. Hitchcock and Secretary Dolph A. Atherton, the board's delegates to the recent meeting of the national board of trade, will present their reports.

TAYLOR NEWS.

Price Library Held an Enthusiastic Session—Republican Popular Ward Tickets—Other News of Local Interest.

The meeting of the Price Library association in their rooms on Friday evening proved to be one of the most enthusiastic sessions yet held by the association. After the usual routine of business was transacted, President W. R. Owens announced that the debate on the question of bonding the borough for the erection of a high school would be the next feature. There was no affirmative and negative debaters; it was used as a general discussion, in which many members participated. Among the most prominent was Burgess J. E. Watkins, who is an active member of the association. His remarks were directly in favor of the construction of a borough high school, pointing out the enormous benefit it would be to the borough in general. Rev. Francis Gendall occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church last evening and preached an eloquent sermon. A large audience was present. Mrs. Walter James, of North Taylor, is confined to her home by grip.

Never before has there been such interest manifested in politics of ward offices in this borough as the present time. The Republicans have placed an exceptionally strong ticket and are making a united effort to have it come out victorious at tomorrow's election. Thomas T. Moses, for council, and Tullie W. Jones, for school director, are the regular party candidates in the First ward. John R. Johns, for council, and John W. Reese, for school director, are the party nominees in the Second ward. In the Third ward the Republican voters have an excellent acquisition in candidate Michael Fluerman for council. In the Fifth ward the party nominees are: For council, John W. Thomas; for school director, William Thomas.

Mr. William M. Evans, of Elmira, N. Y., was the guest of relatives in this borough yesterday.

Mrs. M. J. Lloyd, after being the guest of relatives here, returned to her home in Priceburg on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Powell have returned from their wedding tour, and on Saturday evening a reception was given at Basham's hall in their honor. Monday evening, February 26, will mark the closing for receiving bids for the furnishing of hose for the Century Hose company, No. 2. The location of the company's headquarters will hereafter be at Shem Parker's, on Union street.

H. Renard & Son's silk mill will resume operation this morning, after an idleness of two weeks, owing to a break in the machinery.

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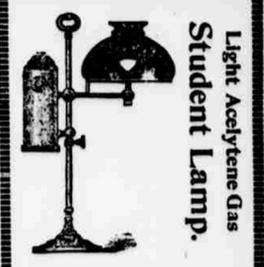
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